Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) for the export of non-basmati rice has also been recently done away with.

**Identification of BPL families**

3859. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the States have identified Below Poverty Line families so far;

(b) if so, the number thereof, State-wise;

(c) if not, by when the States would complete this exercise; and

(d) the manner in which the BPL families would get the benefits that is due to them, where the identification of BPL families has not yet been done?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A statement showing the actual number of BPL families identified by the State Governments/UTs against the estimated number of BPL households as per the poverty estimates of Planning Commission (1993-1994) on the population base of 1.3.2000 is enclosed. (*See* below)

(c) and (d) Do not arise in view of the replies to parts (a) and (b) above.

## Statement

*Status of implementation of TPDS identification*

*(As on 26.4.2002)*

| Sl. No. | States | BPL %age as per expert group Planning Com-mission | No. of BPL House-hold projected as on 1995 (Lakhs) | No. of BPL House-hold projected as on 1.3.2000 | No. of BPL House-hold identified by the State Govt. (lakhs) | Reported as on |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 25.68 | 37.78 | 40.63 | 113.60 | Nov., 2001 |
| 2. | Arunachal Pradesh | 40.86 | 0.77 | 0.99 | 1.20 | 9.11.2001 |
| 3. | Assam | 40.86 | 19.06 | 18.36 | 18.85 | 6.8.2001 |
| 4. | Bihar | 54.96 | 85.90 | 65.23 | 61.63 | Jan., 2002 |
| 5. | Goa | 14.92 | 0.38 | 0.48 | 0.08 | 20.4.2001 |
| 6. | Gujarat | 24.21 | 19.95 | 21.20 | 33.90 | 28.1.2002 |
| 7. | Haryana | 25.05 | 7.33 | 7.89 | 7.68 | 26.3.2002 |
| 8. | Himachal Pradesh | 40.86 | 4.26 | 5.14 | 2.98 | 18.2.2002 |
| 9. | J&K | 40.86 | 6.17 | 7.36 | 6.23 | April, 2002 |
| 10. | Karnataka | 33.16 | 28.75 | 31.29 | 62.80 | 26.12.2001 |
| 11. | Kerala | 25.43 | 15.35 | 15.54 | 20.58 | 31.3.2000 |
| 12. | Madhya Pradesh | 42.52 | 53.34 | 41.25 | 44.87 | 8.8.2001 |
| 13. | Maharashtra | 36.86 | 60.45 | 65.34 | 77.00 | 2.3.2000 |
| 14. | Manipur | 40.86 | 1.30 | 1.66 | 1.29 | Feb., 1999 |
| 15. | Meghalaya | 40.86 | 1.44 | 1.83 | 1.72 | 15.1.2001 |
| 16. | Mizoram | 40.86 | 0.53 | 0.68 | 0.91 | 8.8.2001 |
| 17. | Nagaland | 40.86 | 0.95 | 1.24 | 1.24 | |
| 18. | Orissa | 48.56 | 31.82 | 32.98 | 48.57 | 12.12.2001 |
| 19. | Punjab | 11.77 | 4.30 | 4.68 | 4.35 | 26.2.2002 |
| 20. | Rajasthan | 27.41 | 21.66 | 24.31 | 23.74 | 3.8.2001 |
| 21. | Sikkim | 41.43 | 0.34 | 0.43 | 0.44 | 10.1.2002 |
| 22. | Tamil Nadu | 35.03 | 45.79 | 48.63 | 65.51 | 31.8.2000 |
| 23. | Tripura | 40.86 | 2.31 | 2.95 | 2.50 | August, 2001 |
| 24. | Uttar Pradesh | 40.85 | 95.48 | 106.79 | 105.75 | Feb., 2002 |
| 25. | West Bengal | 35.66 | 46.59 | 51.79 | 47.87 | 31.7.1997 |
| 26. | A&N Islands | 34.47 | 0.22 | 0.28 | 0.17 | 23.5.1997 |
| 27. | Chandigarh | 11.35 | 0.18 | 0.23 | 0.23 | 12.2.2001 |
| 28. | D&N Haveli | 50.84 | 0.14 | 0.18 | 0.16 | Sept., 2000 |

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 29. | Daman & Diu | 15.80 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 25.6.1997 |
| 30. | Delhi | 14.69 | 2.96 | 4.09 | 4.11 | 25.1.2001 |
| 31. | Lakshadweep | 25.4 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.01 (1285) | 24.10.2001 |
| 32. | Pondicherry | 37.40 | 0.65 | 0.84 | 0.95 | 31.10.2001 |
| 33. | Chhattisgarh | 42.52 | — | 18.75 | 17.48 | 8.8.2001 |
| 34. | Jharkhand | 54.96 | — | 23.94 | 22.21 | 8.8.2001 |
| 35. | Uttaranchal | 40.85 | — | 4.98 | 4.30 | 13.12.2001 |
| | TOTAL: | | 596.20 | 652.04 | 804.85 | |

**Inadequate storage arrangements in Punjab**

†3860. SHRI DEVI PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to inadequate storage arrangement in Punjab wheat stored since 1997 is being damaged;

(b) if so, the quantity of the wheat so stored; and

(c) whether Government propose to undertake any rapid action to prevent this kind of loss of foodgrains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) to (c) No damage to wheat has been caused due to inadequate storage capacity in Punjab since 1997. The storage capacity and wheat stocks held from 1997 to 2002 in Punjab are given in the statement enclosed which reveals that the maximum percentage of utilization of storage capacity has been only 89% during last six years. (*See* below).

During the current year (2002-2003), the Food Corporation of India (FCI) has a proposal for construction of 10,000 tonnes storage capacity in Punjab. In addition to this, Central Warehousing Corporation / State Warehousing Corporation have been requested to

† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.